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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

RUBEN E. SALAZAR

Serial No. 09/932,234

Filed: August 17, 2001

For: **FIXED-NETWORK SYSTEM FOR  
AUTOMATIC METER READING HAVING  
A ONE-WAY LOCAL AREA NETWORK**

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Art Unit: 2635  
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Examiner: A. Wong

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

The above-identified applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004, to expire March 22, 2005. Form PTO-2038 is enclosed herewith authorizing the charge of \$1,020 to cover the fee for a three-month extension.

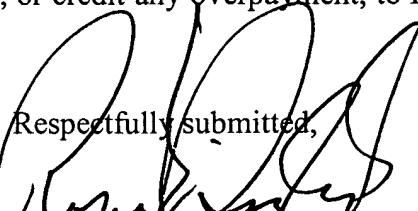
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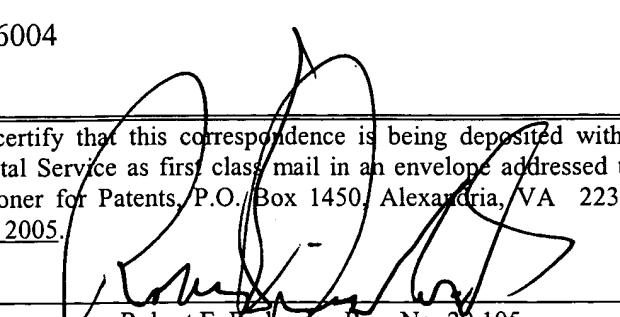
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